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The communication filed on 30 August 2002 is not fully responsive to the communications mailed 30 July 2002 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

In the election of species requirement mailed 30 July 2002, the examiner indicated that the additional election of species requirement was required for adequate search of the prior art. As species of drug, applicant elected "Drug A." It is not possible to conduct a meaningful search of the prior art using "Drug A" as a search term. The election of "Drug A" as species of drug is non-responsive to the election of species requirement because the disclosure does not identify "Drug A" by structure or a name that would render it useful in a search of the prior art. Applicant is required to provide a species of drug (i.e. a complete structure or name that is associated with a specific structure) that would facilitate a search of the prior art.

If a complete response has not been submitted by the expiration of the shortened statutory period for response of **ONE MONTH** or **30 DAYS** from the mailing of this notice, whichever is longer, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Tomas Friend, Art Unit 1627, whose telephone number is (703) 308-4548. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Wang, can be reached at (703) 306-3217. The FAX phone number for group 1600 is (703) 308-4242. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1235.

  
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